

with the same liabilities and penalties exacted to all crops of cotton or other soil-exhausting plants planted or cultivated or harvested in the State during the year 1933; providing that it shall be unlawful to plant or cultivate or harvest cotton or any other soil-exhausting plant except feed crops for man and domestic animals, or either, on lands of this State two years in succession; providing that for each acre of land so planted or cultivated or harvested or permitted to be planted, cultivated or harvested in violation of this act a liability, forfeiture and penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each acre is fixed, recoverable by the State of Texas, and payable into the road and bridge fund of the county or counties, respectively, where the violation of this act occurs; fixing venue in the district court; and providing the method of procedure for the institution of said suits, and making it the duty of the several county and district attorneys of the State to institute such proceedings for the enforcement of the provisions of this act and to collect the penalties provided for herein; providing for the granting of injunctions, and that said causes shall have precedence, and that any number of defendants residing in the same county or involving a county line farm may be made parties in the same suit; and providing fees for said attorneys representing the State of Texas of ten per cent (10%) of the amount collected for violation of this act; further providing that in the event of a failure or refusal of the county and/or district attorneys to perform the duties imposed herein, that the Attorney General of the State of Texas shall, upon the request of the county judge of any county or the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas, carry out said provisions by the institution of said suits; providing that all State owned and/or operated farms shall come under the provisions of this act; that any and all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed; and providing a saving clause in the event any part of this act should be held unconstitutional or invalid; and declaring that in such an event the remaining part of this act shall remain in full force and effect as the expressed intent of the Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly engrossed.

RICHARDSON, Vice-Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 52, "An Act to repeal Chapter 325 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature placing Presidio county under the hide and animal inspection laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

SEVENTH DAY.

(Saturday, September 19, 1931.)

The House met at 9 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called and developed the fact that there was not a quorum present.

Mr. McCombs moved a call of the House for the purpose of securing a quorum, and the call was duly ordered.

The Speaker then directed the Doorkeeper to close the main entrance to the Hall and instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to lock all other doors leading from the Hall, and stated that no member would be permitted to leave the Hall without written permission from the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. McCombs, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to bring in all absent members within the city who are not ill.

The roll was again called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Burns of Walker.
Adams of Jasper.	Burns
Adamson.	of McCulloch.
Adkins.	Carpenter.
Akin.	Caven.
Alsup.	Coltrin.
Baker.	Cox of Lamar.
Barron.	Cox of Limestone.
Beck.	Cunningham.
Bounds.	Dale.
Brice.	Donnell.

Dowell.	McDougald.
Elliott.	McGill.
Engelhard.	McGregor.
Farmer.	Magee.
Finn.	Mehl.
Fisher.	Metcalf.
Forbes.	Moffett.
Ford.	Moore.
Fuchs.	Morse.
Gilbert.	Munson.
Giles.	Murphy.
Goodman.	Nicholson.
Graves.	Olsen.
Greathouse.	O'Quinn.
Hanson.	Petsch.
Hardy.	Ramsey.
Harman.	Ratliff.
Hatchitt.	Ray.
Holder.	Rogers.
Holland.	Rountree.
Holloway.	Sanders.
Hoskins.	Satterwhite.
Howsley.	Savage.
Hubbard.	Scott.
Hughes.	Smith of Wood.
Jackson.	Sparkman.
Johnson	Stephens.
of Dallam.	Strong.
Johnson	Sullivan.
of Dimmit.	Tarwater.
Jones of Shelby.	Towery.
Jones of Atascosa.	Turner.
Justiss.	Van Zandt.
Kennedy.	Vaughan.
Laird.	Veatch.
Lee.	Wagstaff.
Lemens.	West of Coryell.
Leonard.	West of Cameron.
Lilley.	Westbrook.
Long.	Wyatt.
McCombs.	Young.

Absent.

Brooks.	Hines.
Daniel.	Johnson of Morris.
Dodd.	Keller.
Dunlap.	Lockhart.
Duvall.	Martin.
Dwyer.	Pope.
Ferguson.	Richardson.
Grogan.	Shelton.
Harrison	Sherrill.
of Waller.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hefley.	Walker.
Herzik.	Weinert.
Hill.	Wiggs.

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Claunch.
Anderson.	Coombes.
Albritton.	Davis.
Bedford.	DeWolfe.
Bond.	Farrar.
Boyd.	Harrison
Bradley.	of El Paso.
Bryant.	Kayton.

Lasseter.	Terrell
Mathis.	of Cherokee.
Patterson.	Terrell
Reader.	of Val Verde.
Stevenson.	Warwick.
Steward.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. John W. Holt, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE
GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Patterson for today and indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Hardy.

Mr. Shelton for today, on motion of Mr. Fuchs.

Mr. Terrell of Val Verde and Mr. Reader for today, on motion of Mr. Leonard.

Mr. Stevenson for today, on motion of Mr. Burns of Walker.

Mr. Bond, Mr. Boyd, and Mr. DeWolfe for today, on motion of Mr. Metcalfe.

Mr. Davis for today, on motion of Mr. Savage.

Mr. Mathis and Mr. Adams of Harris for today, on motion of Mr. McDougald.

Mr. Bedford for today and the balance of the session, on motion of Mrs. Moore.

Mr. Harrison of El Paso for today, on motion of Mr. Leonard.

Mr. Coombes for today, on motion of Mr. Satterwhite.

Mr. Terrell of Cherokee for today, on motion of Mr. Hanson.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Albritton and Mr. Farrar for today and indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Minor.

Mr. Bradley for today and the balance of the session, on motion of Mr. Morse.

Mr. Bryant for today, on motion of Mr. Baker.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, September 19, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

H. B. No. 12, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the sale or offering for sale or the buying of any bass, crappie, perch, or channel or opalouis cat, or any other fish taken from the waters of Lake Waco or the Bosque Rivers and their tributaries in the counties of McLennan, Bosque, and Hamilton; to prohibit the use of any drag seine or nets and to limit the size and number to be caught, and to prohibit the use of a troll from a motor boat or boat propelled by other than ordinary oars, and to prohibit the catching of bass, crappie, perch, channel or opalouis catfish during the months of February, March, and April of each year, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

H. B. No. 30, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing House bill No. 943, Chapter 159, page 311, of the Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended by House bill No. 37, Chapter 21, of the General and Special Laws of the First Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, 1931, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 35, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subdivision (b) of Section 3, of House bill No. 239, enacted by the Forty-second Legislature of Texas, Regular Session, extending the time for the holding of the election provided for therein and providing the same may be held at any time prior to December 31, 1935, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

S. B. No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Senate bill No. 114, Chapter 68, of the laws of the State of Texas, as passed by the Forty-second Legislature at its Regular Session in 1931, which act defines and regulates public cotton classers, by a more complete definition of a public cotton classer, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 24, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7043 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, as amended by Acts of the Third Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, page 527, Chapter 23, relating to ascertaining tax rate, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 24, to the Committee on State Affairs.

Senate bill No. 15, to the Committee on Agriculture.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Morse, Senate bills Nos. 16 and 22 were ordered not printed.

BILLS AND RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills and resolution:

H. B. No. 39, "An Act making it lawful to hunt wild deer with one dog after being crippled in the counties of Liberty and Hardin, Texas, during the open season of each year for a period of five years, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 27, "An Act providing that the river bed of the Trinity River in Henderson and Navarro counties shall not be sold and shall remain open to the public for fishing and hunting with the specific reference to that portion of the Trinity River known as the Cut Off; and providing that the commissioners courts of Henderson and Navarro counties shall have the right of condemnation to procure right of ways to said river or Cut Off, and giving to the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission authority to make regulations controlling fishing and hunting on said Cut Off of the Trinity River, and providing a penalty for violations of same."

H. B. No. 30, "An Act repealing House bill No. 943, Chapter 159, page 311, of the Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended by House bill No. 37, Chapter 21, of the General and Special Laws of the First Called Session of the Forty-second 1931, and declaring an emergency."

H. C. R. No. 20, Authorizing the correction of House bill No. 27.

(Mr. Sanders in the chair.)

CONCERNING THE RULING ON
CERTAIN POINTS OF
ORDER.

Mr. Morse offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The House of Representatives has spent several hours debating points of order raised against bills, on the ground that they were not within the Governor's call; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Speaker be requested to rule on all such points of order during the remainder of the session, except in such instances where there is doubt in his mind concerning points of order.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Savage raised a point of order on further consideration of the resolution at this time, on the ground that the time for the consideration of resolutions has expired.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

(Speaker in the chair.)

RELATIVE TO ABANDONMENT
OF CERTAIN ARMY POSTS.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 6, Relative to the removal of certain army posts.

Whereas, The general staff of the War Department, in the alleged interests of economy and for the greater efficiency of the military establishment of the country, having recommended the abandonment of certain army posts throughout the country, among which are included the following Texas posts, viz: Fort D. A. Russell at Marfa, Fort Clark at Brackettville and Fort Brown at Brownsville, and

Whereas, Each of above-named army posts were, primarily, established for adequate and timely protection to the inhabitants of the territory bordering the Texas-Mexico International boundary in their lives and property rights, and

Whereas, The major portion of West and Southwest Texas is at this time a sparsely populated area, but one holding great possibilities of development of its territory as an ideal stock-raising and highly mineralized

section, and one where agricultural development is steadily advancing, and will be made more certain if the existing military establishment remains, thereby lending a better feeling of security to life and property; and

Whereas, There is no apparent emergency demanding the early removal of troops from the Texas garrisons proposed to be abandoned, even granting that the interests of economy in administration and the greater efficiency of the military establishment of the country will be advanced by concentration of the military strength of the nation at large military centers, alleged as the basis of abandonment of the small army posts named, and

Whereas, The removal of troops from these said Texas army posts, located as they are at points where no character of industries exist providing payrolls to partially sustain business at this time when all lines of business throughout the nation are almost wholly demoralized, many of them on the verge of failure, can well be calculated to bring about financial distress in said communities; now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, Do hereby petition the War Department to retain the army posts hereinabove named, believing that it will provide a feeling of security to the people in these several localities, and will render more safe the property investment of their citizens, particularly in view of the fact that it is largely an exposed border country; secondly, that should the War Department ultimately deem it expedient and in the interest of economy, and for greater efficiency of the military establishment to abandon said posts, that the order of actual abandonment thereof be suspended and postponed until such time as the business structure of the nation has assumed at least a partially normal status; thirdly, that a copy of this resolution be mailed to the general staff of the War Department, the Secretary of War, and the President of the United States, and the members of the Texas delegation in the House of Representatives of the United States, and the members of the United States Senate from Texas.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

RELATIVE TO THE USE OF COTTON.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 7, Urging the use of cotton.

Whereas, The distressing condition of the cotton industry and of the cotton farmer of the South and of the Nation is due equally as much to under-consumption of the staple as to over-production; and

Whereas, Cotton as a commodity for personal, household and general use has fallen into disrespect and disuse among the people of our country; and

Whereas, New uses for cotton must be found if its standing as an agricultural product and as a commercial commodity shall be supreme, as in past years; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, do endorse a movement for greater usage of cotton, and recommend to the State and to the Nation that more practical uses for cotton be found, to the end that the demand may be greater and the great surplus now on hand, which is depressing the cotton market, be found. Be it further

Resolved, That the Governors and Legislatures of the various cotton-producing States of the Union, the President of the United States, and the American Congress be memorialized to urge the people of the South and of the Nation the imperative need for removing one of the chief causes of the depression in this country, occasioned by the under-consumption of cotton supplies and surpluses. Be it further

Resolved, That friends of the cotton industry and special cotton technicians be urged to submit the best practical and workable plan or plans for the usage of cotton, said plan or plans to be submitted to a committee of nine members, to be distributed throughout the State, three to be appointed by the Governor, three by the President of the Senate, and three by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the personnel of said committee to be technical experts and practical technicians, with the exception of three members of the Legislature, who may or may not be tech-

nicians, one of whom shall be appointed by each of the three appointive powers. Be it further

Resolved, That when the committee shall have reported their decision to the Governor of Texas that he shall immediately issue a proclamation as to same to the people of the State, announcing the three best plans submitted—first, second, and third best—and the names of persons submitting such plan or plans, and he shall also send a message to the House and Senate at the next regular or special session of the Legislature, embodying the report of the committee, said report to become a part of the official records of the Legislature of this State.

The resolution was read second time, and was lost.

HOUSE BILL NO. 50 ON SECOND READING.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 28, Chapter 16, of the General Laws passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature, at its First Called Session, by adding thereto two new sections, known as Section 16a and Section 16b; providing that where any road district includes within its limits portion of a previously created road district, subdivision or precinct, having road bond debts outstanding, the newly-created road district may issue bonds for the purchase of roads within the previously created district, subdivision or precinct; providing that such bonds shall be authorized and issued in the form and manner prescribed by general law; providing that nothing in this act shall affect or impair any bond debts of previously created road districts, subdivisions or precincts, portions of which may be included within the subsequently created road district, but that such indebtedness shall remain chargeable against the territory voting the same; providing that where a two-thirds majority of the qualified taxpayers and voters of any road district embracing portions of any previously created road district, subdivision or precinct, heretofore created, voting on the proposition, have voted in favor of the issuance

of bonds for the purchase of roads within the road district, subdivision or precinct, portions of which were and are included within the new district, and also voting on the proposition of the further construction of roads within the new district and the levy of taxes therefor, and such bonds have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the State Comptroller, each such election and all acts and proceedings in connection therewith by the commissioners court, and all such bonds and taxes, are validated and declared to be the legal and binding obligations of such districts, according to their terms, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Graves offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 50, both in body and caption, by striking out the words "16a" and "16b" wherever same appears throughout the whole bill, and insert in lieu thereof "28a" and "28b."

The amendment was adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes made in the body of the bill.

House bill No. 50 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 44 ON SECOND READING.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 44, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 47 of the Acts of the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, as amended by Chapter 140 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, so as to provide that neither said act nor said act so amended shall apply to nor affect any county in this State which is subject to the provisions of Chapter 82 of the General and Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Fortieth Legislature, being Senate bill No. 375 of said session, published on page 124 of said laws, and to validate all consolidations of school districts and other acts of the county board of school trustees of all counties subject to the provisions of said Chapter

82, heretofore consummated or performed, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time, and was passed to engrossment.

SENATE BILL NO. 22 ON SECOND READING.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 28, Chapter 16, of the General Laws passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature, at its First Called Session, by adding thereto two new sections, known as Section 16a and Section 16b; providing that where any road district includes within its limits portion of a previously created road district, subdivision or precinct, having road bond debts outstanding, the newly-created road district may issue bonds for the purchase of roads within the previously created district, subdivision or precinct; provided, that such bonds shall be authorized and issued in the form and manner prescribed by General Law; providing that nothing in this act shall affect or impair any bond debts of previously created road districts, subdivisions or precincts, portions of which may be included within the subsequently created road district, but that such indebtedness shall remain chargeable against the territory voting the same; providing that where a two-thirds majority of the qualified taxpayers and voters of any road district embracing portions of any previously created road district, subdivision or precinct, heretofore created, voting on the proposition, have voted in favor of the issuance of bonds for the purchase of roads within the road district, subdivision or precinct, portions of which were and are included within the new district, and also voting on the proposition of the further construction of roads within the new district and the levy of taxes therefor, and such bonds have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the State Comptroller, each such election and all acts and proceedings in connection therewith by the commissioners court, and all such bonds and taxes, are validated and declared to be the legal and binding obligations of such districts, according to their

terms; authorizing the commissioners court to pass all necessary orders in respect of any such bonds which have not been issued and sold, and to levy taxes therefor; providing for the assumption by the new district of only that portion of the outstanding bonded indebtedness of the old district in the same ratio that the assessed valuation of the property of the former district, subdivision or precinct, included in the new district, bears to the assessed valuation of such former district, subdivision or precinct; enacting provisions incident and necessary to the subject and purpose of this act; providing a method for the issuance of such bonds, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time, and was passed to third reading.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Morse, the House, at 11:35 o'clock a. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m., next Monday, September 21.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Committee on Agriculture filed an adverse report on House bill No. 23.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 19, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 20, Authorizing certain corrections to be made in House bill No. 27,

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 19, 1931.
Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 39, "An Act making it unlawful to hunt wounded wild deer with one dog in the counties of Liberty and Hardin, Texas, during the open season of each year for a period of five (5) years, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 19, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 27, "An Act providing that the river bed of the Trinity River in Henderson and Navarro counties shall not be sold and shall remain open to the public for fishing and hunting with the specific reference to that portion of the Trinity River known as the Cut Off; and providing that the commissioners courts of Henderson and Navarro counties shall have the right of condemnation to procure right of ways to said river or Cut Off, and giving to the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission authority to make regulations controlling fishing and hunting on said Cut Off of the Trinity River; providing a penalty for violations of same; and repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, September 18, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 30, "An Act repealing House bill No. 943, Chapter 159, page 311, of the Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended by House bill No. 37, Chapter 21, of the General and Special Laws of the First Called Session of the Forty-second

Legislature, 1931, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled.

COX of Lamar, Chairman.

EIGHTH DAY.

(Monday, September 21, 1931.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Hatchitt.
Adams of Jasper.	Hefley.
Adkins.	Herzik.
Akin.	Hill.
Alsup.	Hines.
Anderson.	Holder.
Baker.	Holland.
Barron.	Hoskins.
Beck.	Howsley.
Bounds.	Hubbard.
Brice.	Hughes.
Brooks.	Jackson.
Bryant.	Johnson.
Burns of Walker.	of Dallam.
Burns	Johnson
of McCulloch.	of Dimmit.
Carpenter.	Johnson of Morris.
Caven.	Jones of Shelby.
Coltrin.	Jones of Atascosa.
Cox of Lamar.	Justiss.
Cox of Limestone.	Kennedy.
Cunningham.	Laird.
Dale.	Lasseter.
DeWolfe.	Lee.
Dodd.	Lemens.
Donnell.	Leonard.
Dowell.	Lilley.
Dwyer.	Lockhart.
Elliott.	Long.
Engelhard.	McCombs.
Farmer.	McDougald.
Farrar.	McGill.
Ferguson.	McGregor.
Finn.	Magee.
Fisher.	Mehl.
Forbes.	Metcalfe.
Ford.	Moffett.
Fuchs.	Moore.
Gilbert.	Morse.
Giles.	Munson.
Goodman.	Murphy.
Graves.	Nicholson.
Greathouse.	Olsen.
Grogan.	O'Quinn.
Hanson.	Petsch.
Hardy.	Ramsey.
Harman.	Ratliff.
Harrison	Ray.
of Waller.	Reader.

Richardson.	Terrell of Val Verde.
Rountree.	Towery.
Sanders.	Turner.
Satterwhite.	Van Zandt.
Scott.	Vaughan.
Shelton.	Veatch.
Sherrill.	Wagstaff.
Smith of Bastrop.	Walker.
Smith of Wood.	Weinert.
Sparkman.	West of Coryell.
Stephens.	West of Cameron.
Steward.	Westbrook.
Strong.	Wiggs.
Sullivan.	Wyatt.
Tarwater.	Young.

Absent.

Davis.	Patterson.
Dunlap.	Pope.
Harrison	Rogers.
of El Paso.	Terrell
Keller.	of Cherokee.
Martin.	

Absent—Excused.

Adams of Harris.	Daniel.
Adamson.	Duvall.
Albritton.	Holloway.
Bedford.	Kayton.
Bond.	Mathis.
Boyd.	Savage.
Bradley.	Stevenson.
Claunch.	Warwick.
Coombes.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Dr. B. H. Fisher, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Austin, Texas.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Bond for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Metcalfe.

Mr. Duvall for today, on motion of Mr. Brooks.

Mr. Coombes for today, on motion of Mr. Ferguson.

Mr. Savage for today, on motion of Mr. Brice.

Mr. Adams of Harris and Mr. Mathis for today, on motion of Mr. McDougald.

Mr. Daniel for today, on motion of Mr. Johnson of Dallam.

Mr. Stevenson for today, on motion of Mr. Burns of Walker.

Mr. Bedford for today and indefinitely, on motion of Mrs. Moore.